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PROCLAMATION

RE: SHELLFISH POLLUTED AREA

Stephen W. Murphey, Director, Division of Marine Fisheries, upon the recommendation of Betsey Tilson, M.D., M.P.H., State Health Director, Department of Health and Human Services, hereby announces that the following change in a shellfish harvesting area will take effect at sunrise, Wednesday, June 10, 2020.

All those waters in Onslow County will return to the status in existence immediately prior to the May 18, and May 21, 2020, temporary closures except the following which will remain closed:

ONSLOW COUNTY

White Oak River – All those waters in White Oak River upstream of a line beginning at a point 34° 41.9497' N -77° 06.9846' W on the west shore, running easterly near the northern tip of Jones Island to a point 34° 41.9395' N -77° 05.6599' W on the east shore.

The following also remains closed:

BRUNWICK / NEW HANOVER / CARTERET COUNTIES

<u>All those waters</u> bordered on the east by a line beginning at a point 33° 54.2904′ N - 78° 23.6416′ W on the mainland near the Bricklanding Road Public Boat Ramp and IWW Beacon "84"; running southerly to a point 33° 54.1932′ N - 78° 23.6426′ W on Ocean Isle Beach near Ferry Landing Park; and bordered on the west by the South Carolina State Line, to include the Tubbs Inlet area.

<u>Shallotte River – All those waters in Shallotte River</u> upstream of a line beginning at a point 33° 54.8302′ N - 78° 22.3626′ W near Bowen Point; running southeasterly to a point 33° 54.6139′ N - 78° 21.7667′ W on Long Point.

<u>Holden Beach - All those waters</u> bordered on the east by the permanent closure line near IWW Beacon "69"; and bordered on the west by a line beginning at a point 33° 54.6855′ N - 78° 21.3550′ W on the mainland; running southerly through IWW Marker "71" to a point 33° 54.4311′ N - 78° 21.2898′ W on Holden Beach near the end of Sea View Drive.

<u>All those waters</u> in Myrtle Grove Sound bordered on the north by a line beginning at a point 34° 07.7706′N - 77° 52.0833′ W on the mainland near Peden Point; running easterly near IWW Marker "141" to a point 34° 07.6007′N - 77° 51.0328′ W on Masonboro Island; and bordered on the south by Snows Cut.

<u>All those waters from the Intracoastal Waterway to the mainland</u> between IWW Marker "129" (34° 11.5153'N - 77° 49.5764' W) near Shinn Creek and IWW Marker "141" (34° 07.7515'N - 77° 51.9560' W) near Peden Point.

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GENERAL INFORMATION:

- A. This proclamation is issued under the authority of N.C.G.S. 113-170.4; 113-170.5; 113-182; 113-221.1; 143B-289.52 and N.C. Marine Fisheries Commission Rules 15A NCAC 03H .0103 and 03K .0101.
- B. It is unlawful to violate the provisions of any proclamation issued by the N.C. Fisheries Director under his delegated authority pursuant to N.C. Marine Fisheries Commission Rule 15A NCAC 03H .0103.
- C. In accordance with N.C. General Statute 113-221.1(c) all persons who may be affected by proclamations issued by the Fisheries Director are under a duty to keep themselves informed of current proclamations.
- D. This proclamation returns the following area to normal closure boundaries: Queens Creek.
- E. This reopening is due to satisfactory bacteriological sampling results.

Y: _______Stephen W. Murphey, Director DIVISION OF MARINE FISHERIES, DEQ

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